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Remarks/Arguments

Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested. Claims 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12 and 13 have been amended; and claims 2, 3, 9, 10 and 17 have been canceled. As a result, claims 1, 4-8 and 11-16 are in this application and are presented for the Examiner's consideration in view of the following comments.

Claims 14-16 have been allowed and claims 3-7 and 10-13 have been objected to but are allowable if rewritten in independent form.

In the interests of furthering prosecution, and without regard to the claim rejections, Applicant has equivalently amended independent claim 1 to include the requirements of dependent claims 2 and 3. Similarly, Applicant has amended independent claim 8 to include the requirements of dependent claims 9 and 10. Applicant has canceled claim 17. Claims 4-7 and 11-13 have been amended to conform to the amendments to their respective independent claims.

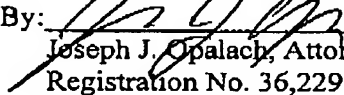
As it is believed that all of the objections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Applicant's attorney in order to overcome any additional objections that the Examiner might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 07-0832 therefor.

Respectfully submitted,
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